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SUBJECT: PUBLICITY ABOUT "NEW EGYPTIAN MILLIONAIRES"

1. SINCE LATE DECEMBER, THERE HAS BEEN CONSIDERABLE STIR IN CAIRO ABOUT STORY IN FOREIGN PRESS WHICH ALLEGEDLY LISTED, IN ORDER OF WEALTH, EGYPT'S 50 RICHEST CITIZENS. QUESTIONS WERE ASKED IN PEOPLES ASSEMBLY AND REFERENCES WERE MADE TO ARTICLE IN LEFTIST PRESS AS EVIDENCE OF NEW "PARASITIC" RICH CLASS.

2. TWO WEEKS AGO, GOE PRESS SPOKESMAN ASKED US FOR TEXT OF THIS ARTICLE, WHICH HE THOUGHT HAD APPEARED IN NEWSWEEK. WE WERE UNABLE FIND ANY SUCH REFERENCE IN NEWSWEEK'S INTERNATIONAL OR AMERICAN EDITIONS AND, CURIOUSLY, FOREIGN PRESS CORPS HERE TOLD US THEY ALSO UNABLE LOCATE ORIGINAL ARTICLE ANYWHERE ELSE. FINALLY, ON FEBRUARY 9, AKHBAR EDITOR IN CHIEF CLAIMED ARTICLE WAS WRITTEN BY DAVID HIRST (GUARDIAN) WHO, AKHBAR ALLEGES, "HAS SPECIALIZED IN ATTACKS ON EGYPT SINCE SADAT TOOK POWER."

3. FOR LONDON: WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFO YOU HAVE ON THIS ALLEGED ARTICLE BY HIRST. GOE SENSITIVITY TO IT, ACCORDING TO PRESS SPOKESMAN, LIES LESS IN ACCUSATION OF EMERGING SOCIAL INEQUALITY THAN IN SADAT HIMSELF BEING

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